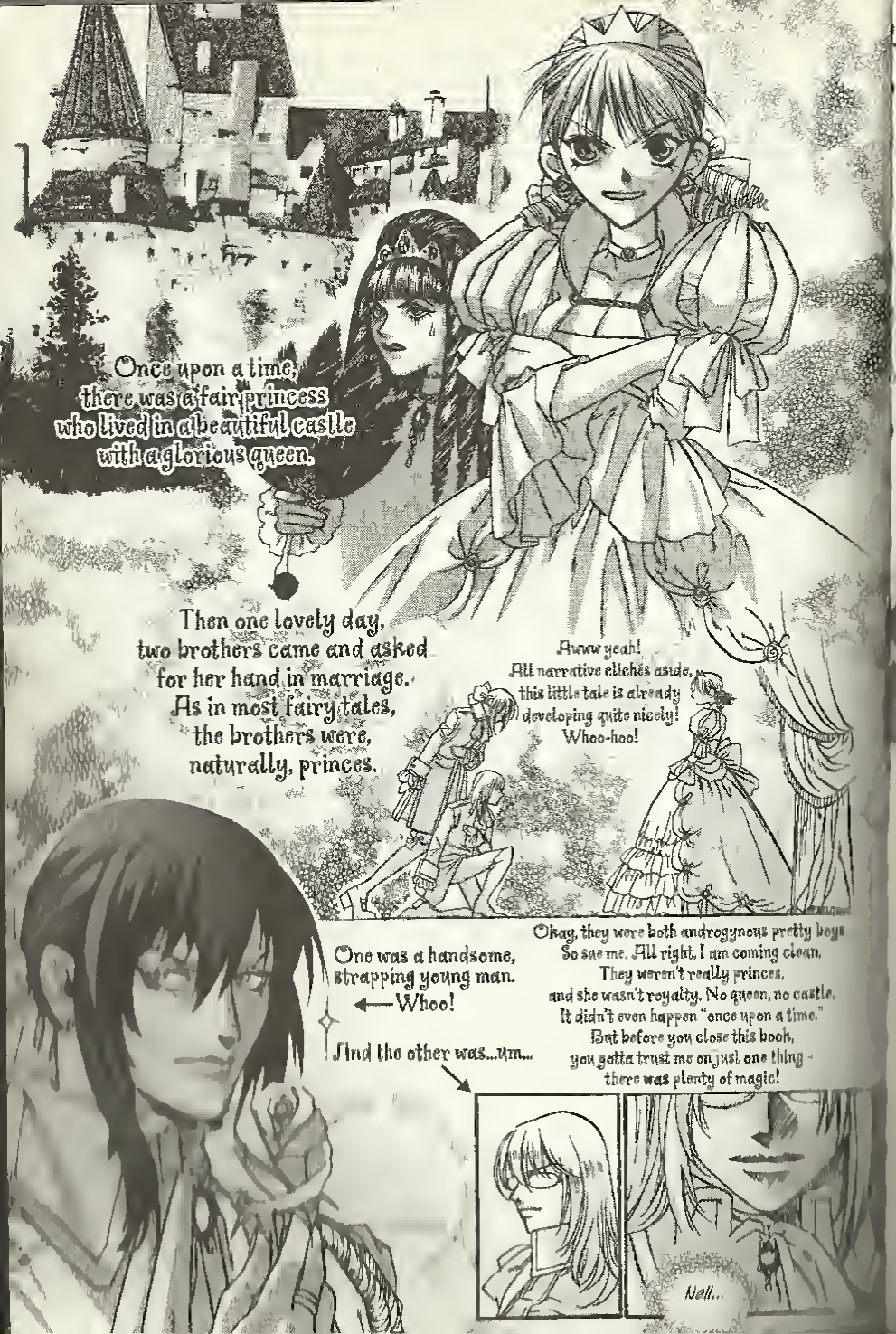
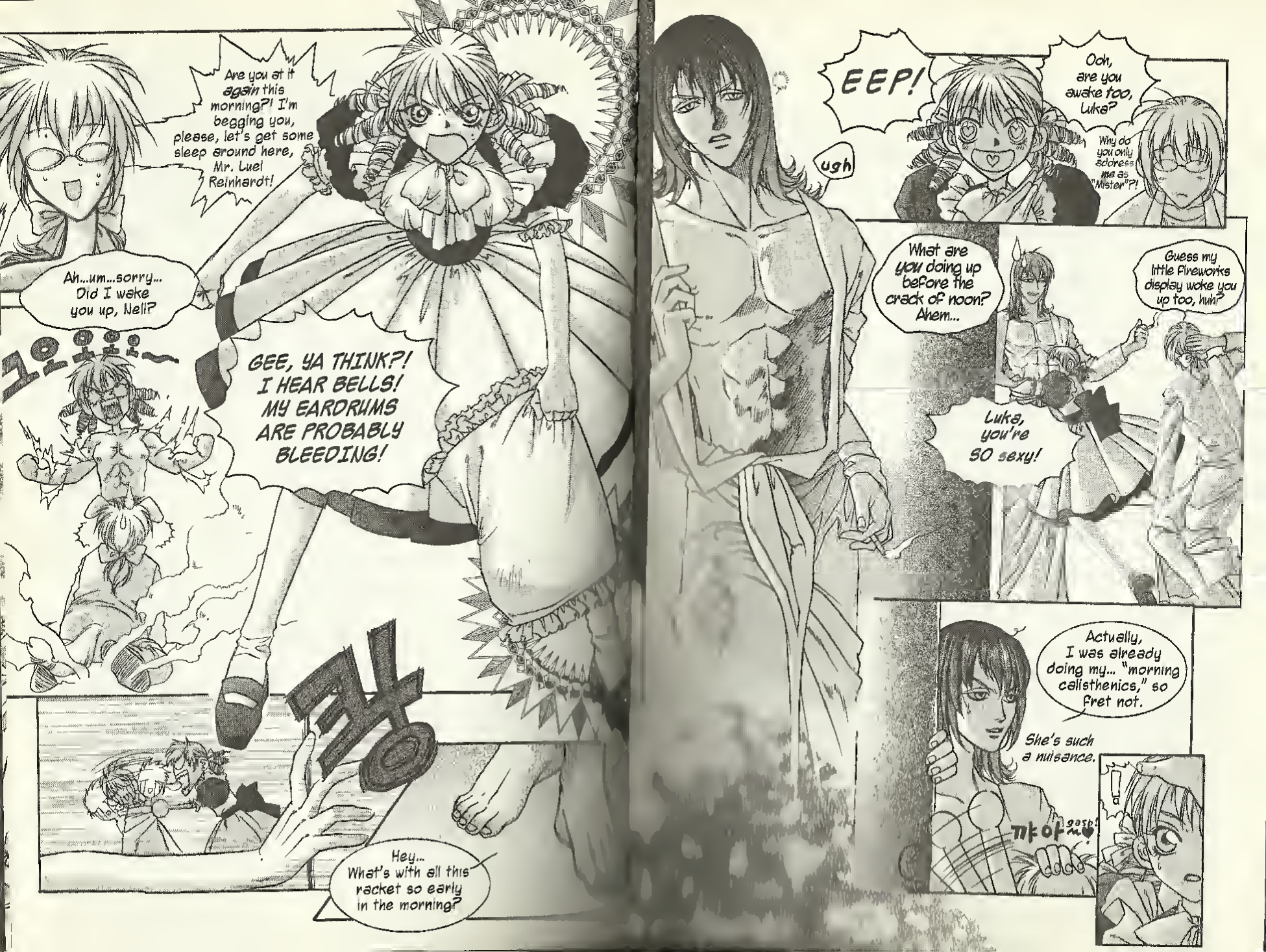
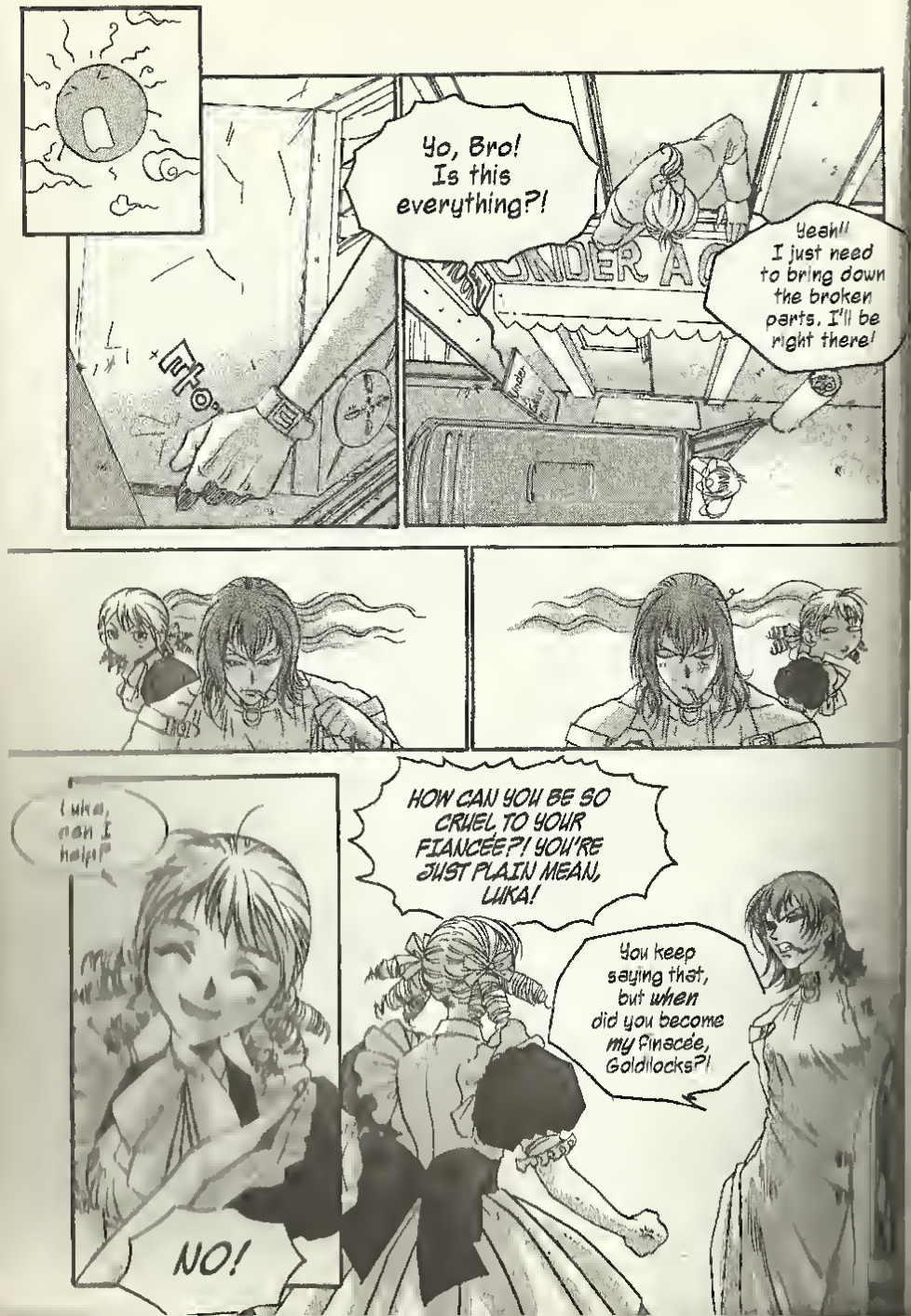

Once upon a time, there was a fair princess who lived in a beautiful castle with a glorious queen.
Then one lovely day, two brothers came and asked for her hand in marriage. As in most fairy tales, the brothers were, naturally, princes.
Awww yeah! All narrative clichés aside, this little tale is already developing quite nicely! Whoo-hoo!
One was a handsome, strapping young man.
←Whoo!
And the other was...um...
Okay, they were both androgynous pretty boys So sue me. All right, I am coming clean. They weren't really princes, and she wasn't royalty. No queen, no castle. It didn't even happen "once upon a time." But before you close this book, you gotta trust me on just one thing - there was plenty of magic!
Well...

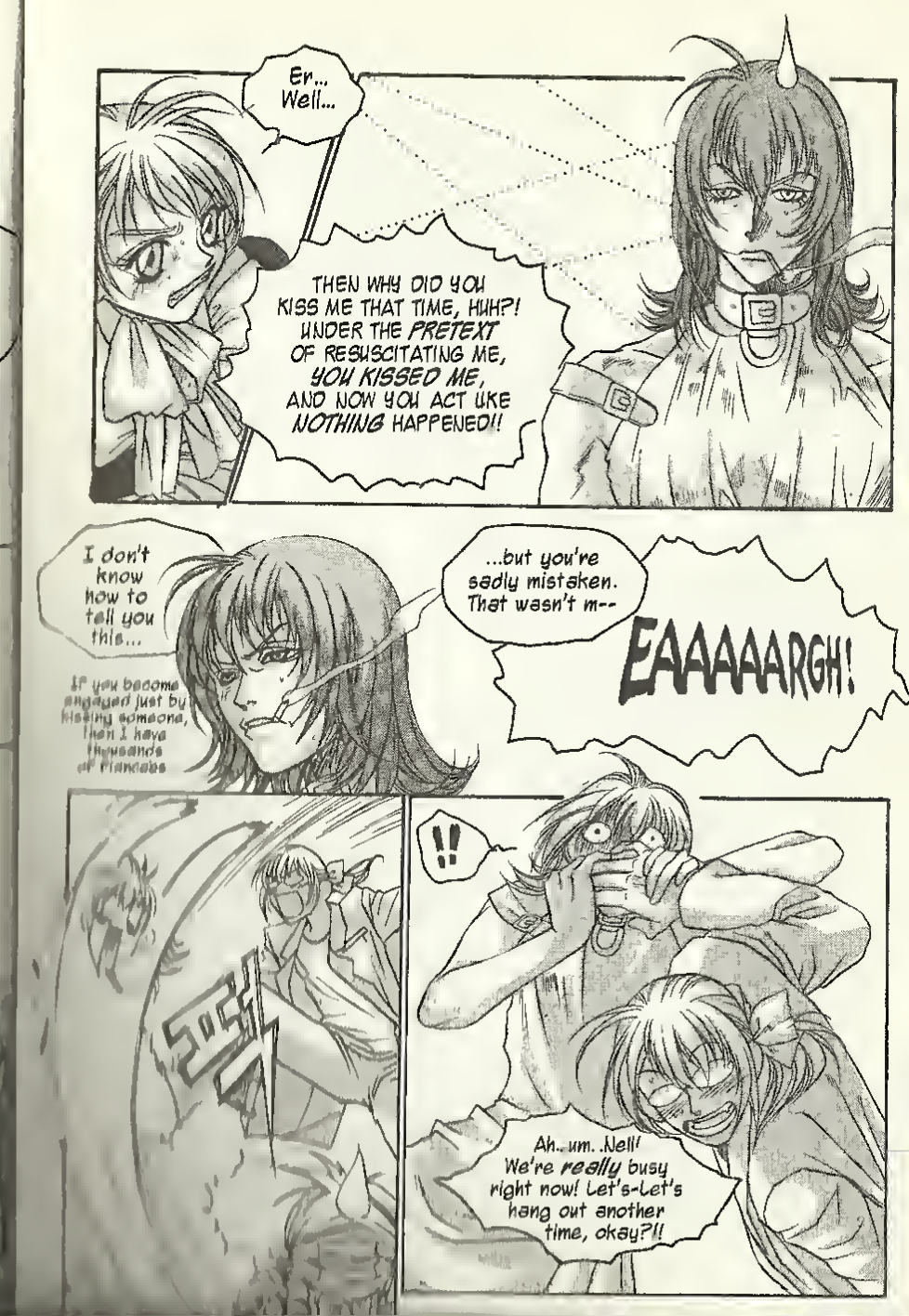
EAAYAH!
Alas, another failure.
cough

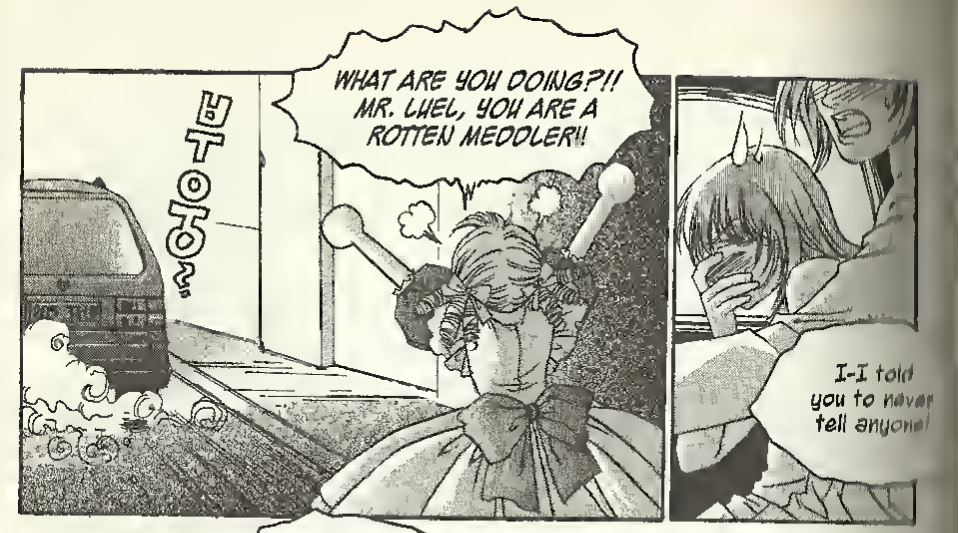

Are you at it again this morning?! I'm begging you, please, let's get some sleep around here, Mr. Luel Reinhardt!
Ah...um...sorry... Did I wake you up, Nell?
GEE, YA THINK?! I HEAR BELLS! MY EARDRUMS ARE PROBABLY BLEEDING!
Hey... What's with all this racket so early in the morning?
ugh
EEP!
Ooh, are you awake too, Luka?
Why do you only address me as "Mister"?!
What are you doing up before the crack of noon? Ahem...
Guess my little Fireworks display woke you up too, huh?
Luka, you're SO sexy!
Actually, I was already doing my... "morning calisthenics," so fret not.
She's such a nuisance.
gasp!

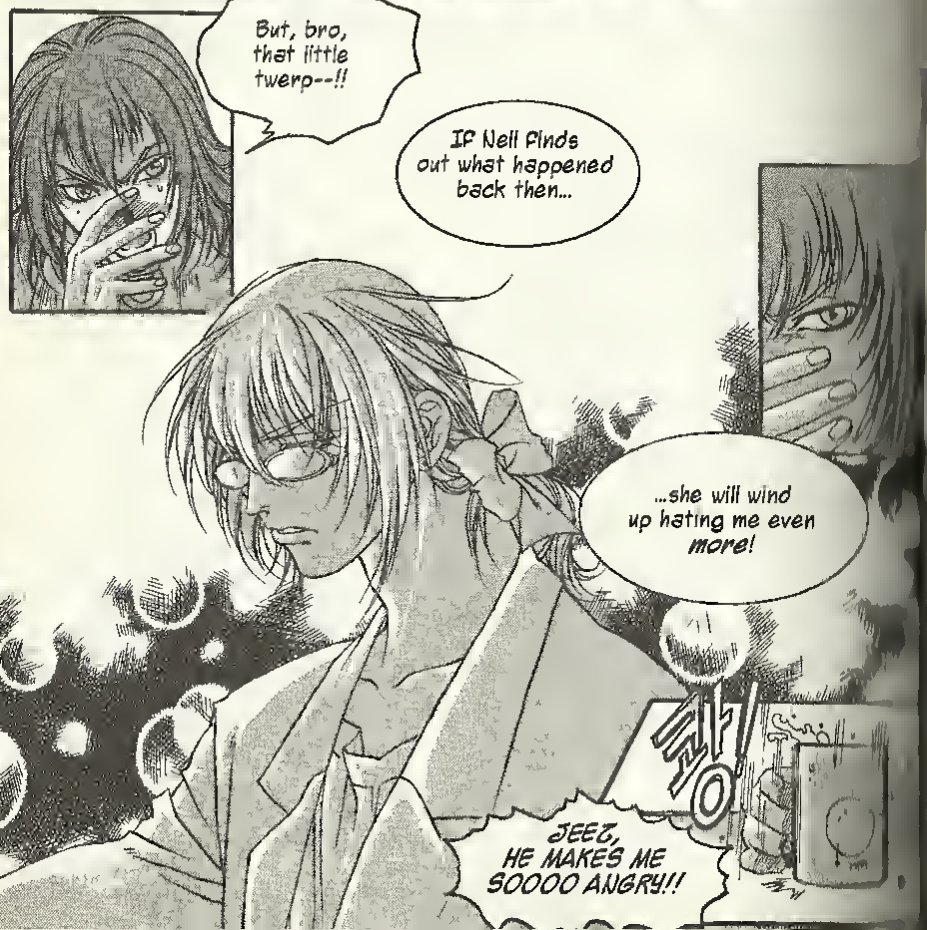
You're so popular, Luka!
Why don't you slink back into bed?
YOU TWO-TIMER!! I HATE YOU!!
Awww, don't cry, Nell.
Didn't mean to make her that jealous!

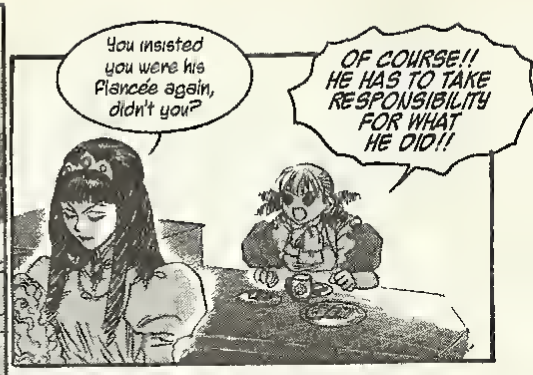
What's all the fuss about, Nell?
NOTHING!!
Never mind that. I didn't do it to get her acknowledgement or gratitude.
...as long as I can be near her, I'm fine. I don't deserve better.
Wow. Suffering from a Lolita complex and massive neurosis...


Yo, Bro! Is this everything?!
Yeah! I just need to bring down the broken parts. I'll be right there!
Luka, can I help?
HOW CAN YOU BE SO CRUEL TO YOUR FIANCÉE?! YOU'RE JUST PLAIN MEAN, LUKA!
You keep saying that, but when did you become my fiancée, Goldilocks?!
NO!


Er... Well...
THEN WHY DID YOU KISS ME THAT TIME, HUH?! UNDER THE PRETEXT OF RESUSCITATING ME, YOU KISSED ME, AND NOW YOU ACT LIKE NOTHING HAPPENED!!
I don't know how to tell you this...
If you become engaged just by kissing someone, then I have thousands of fiancées
...but you're sadly mistaken. That wasn't m--
EAAAAARGH!
!!
Ah..um..Nell! We're really busy right now! Let's-Let's hang out another time, okay?!!

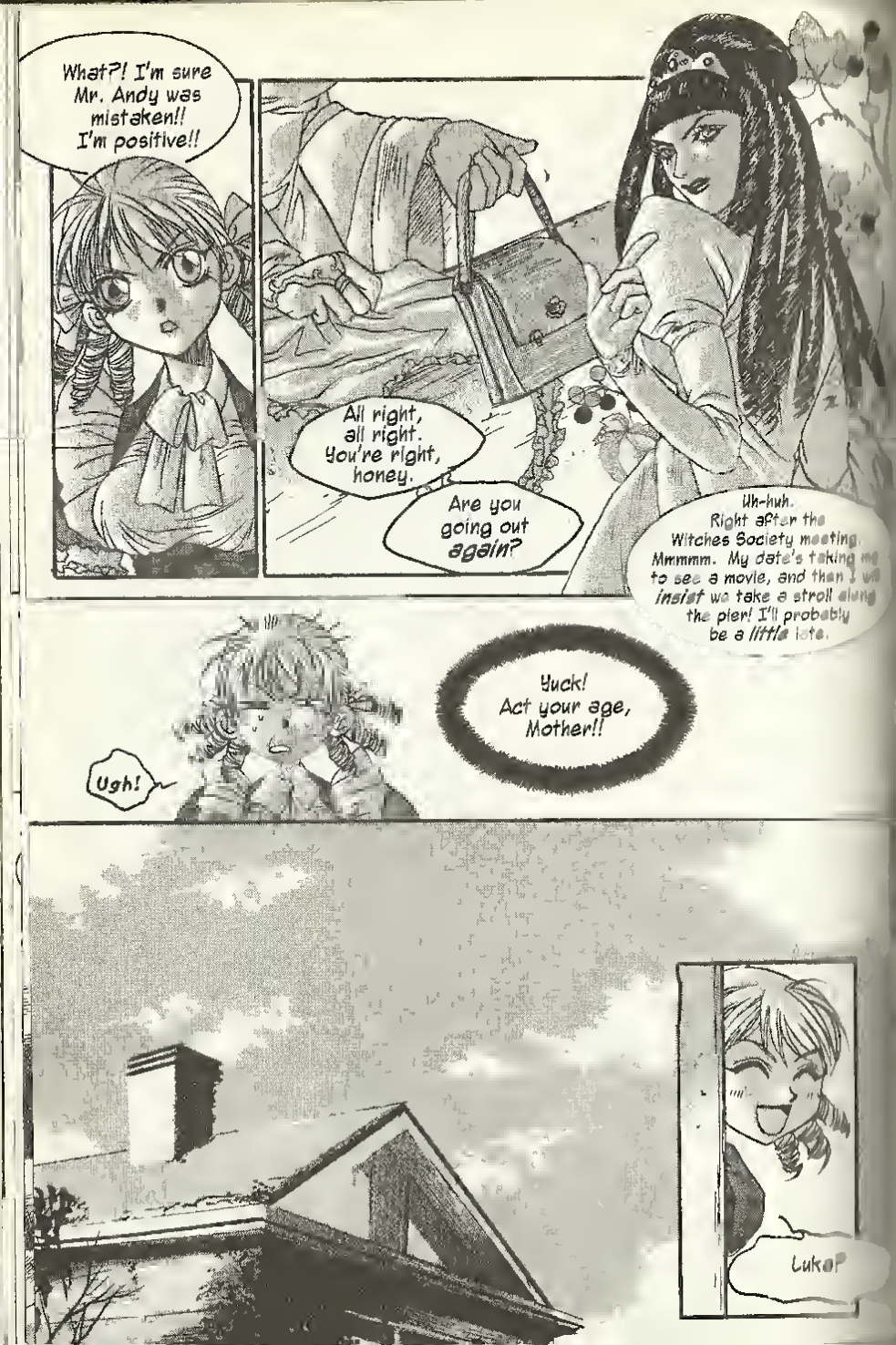

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!! MR. LUEL, YOU ARE A ROTTEN MEDDLER!!
I-I told you to never tell anyone!

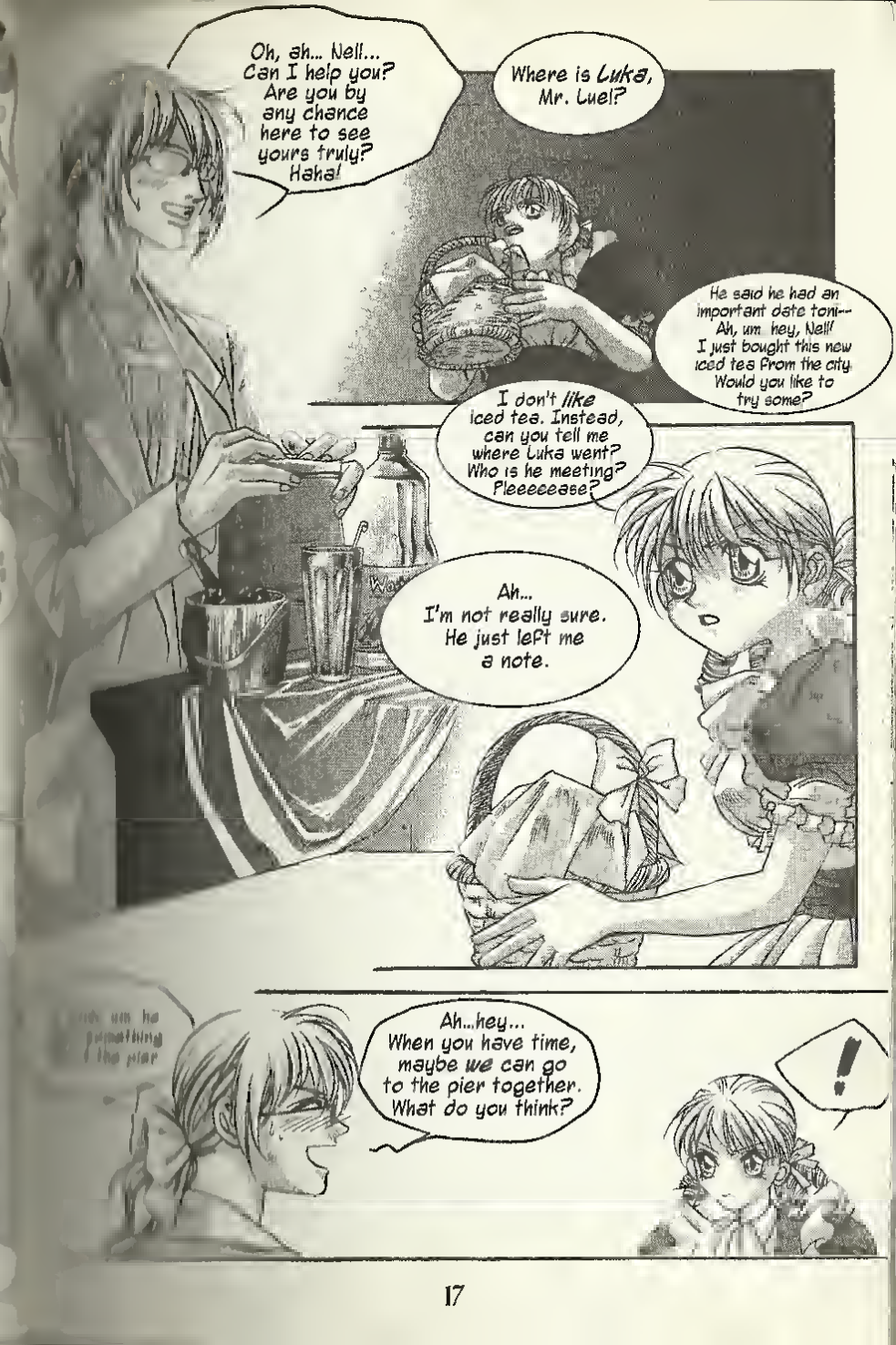

But, bro, that little twerp--!!
If Nell finds out what happened back then...
...she will wind up hating me even more!
JEEZ, HE MAKES ME SOOOO ANGRY!!


You insisted you were his fiancée again, didn't you?
OF COURSE!! HE HAS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR WHAT HE DID!!

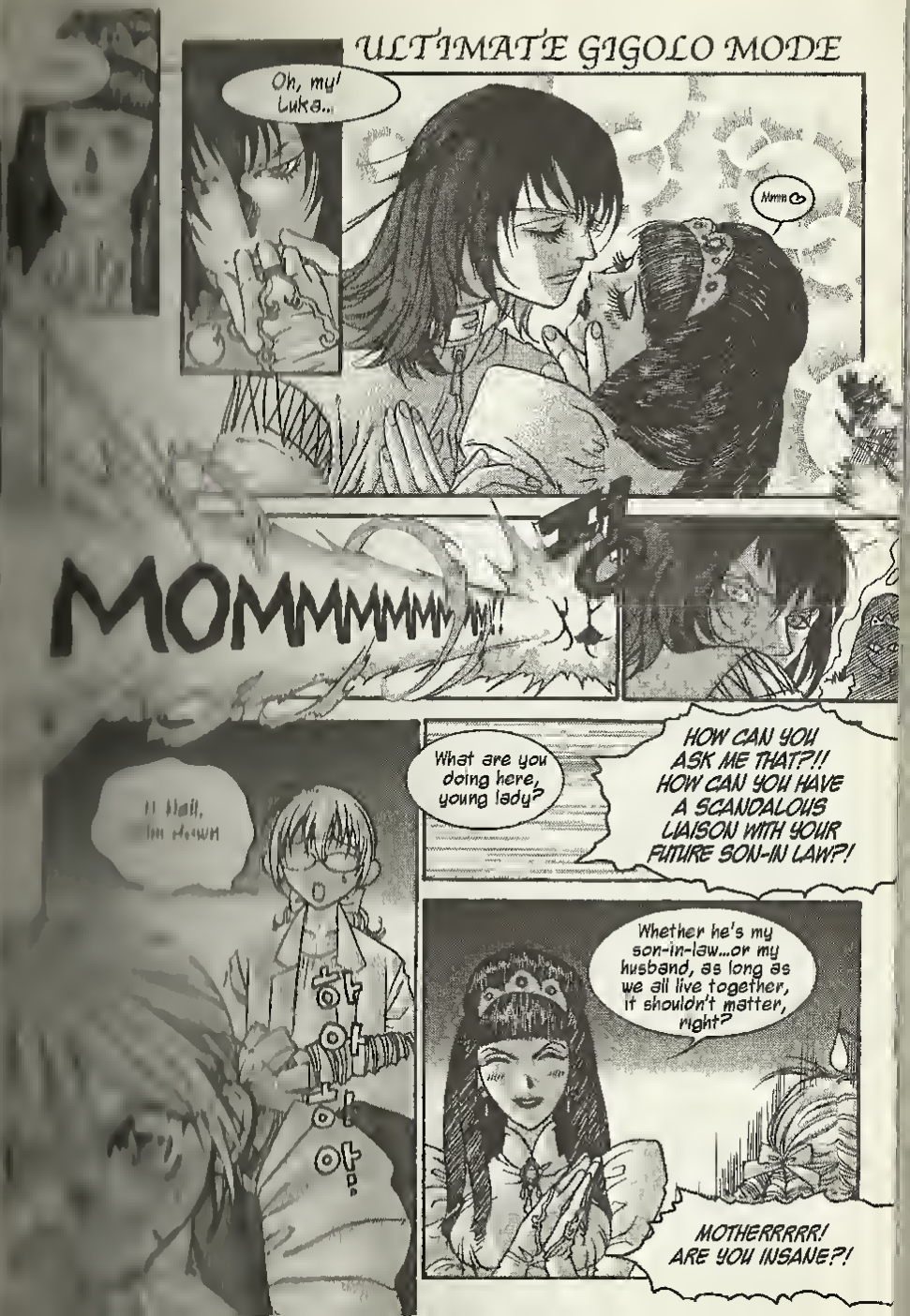
Hmm... As I recall, it definitely looked like Luka, sweetie, but...
Is she a fool or just a wishful thinker?

...the strange thing is...
Huh?
...at the same time you were being kissed, Andy claims to have seen Luka picking up girls in the city.


What?! I'm sure Mr. Andy was mistaken!! I'm positive!!
All right, all right. You're right, honey.
Are you going out *again*?
Uh-huh. Right after the Witches Society meeting. Mmmmm. My date's taking me to see a movie, and then I will *insist* we take a stroll along the pier! I'll probably be a *little* late.
Yuck! Act your age, Mother!!
Ugh!
Luka?


Oh, ah... Nell... Can I help you? Are you by any chance here to see yours truly? Haha!
Where is *Luka*, Mr. Luel?
He said he had an important date toni--- Ah, um hey, Nell! I just bought this new iced tea from the city. Would you like to try some?
I don't *like* iced tea. Instead, can you tell me where Luka went? Who is he meeting? Pleeeeease?
Ah... I'm not really sure. He just left me a note.
Ah...hey... When you have time, maybe *we* can go to the pier together. What do you think?
!

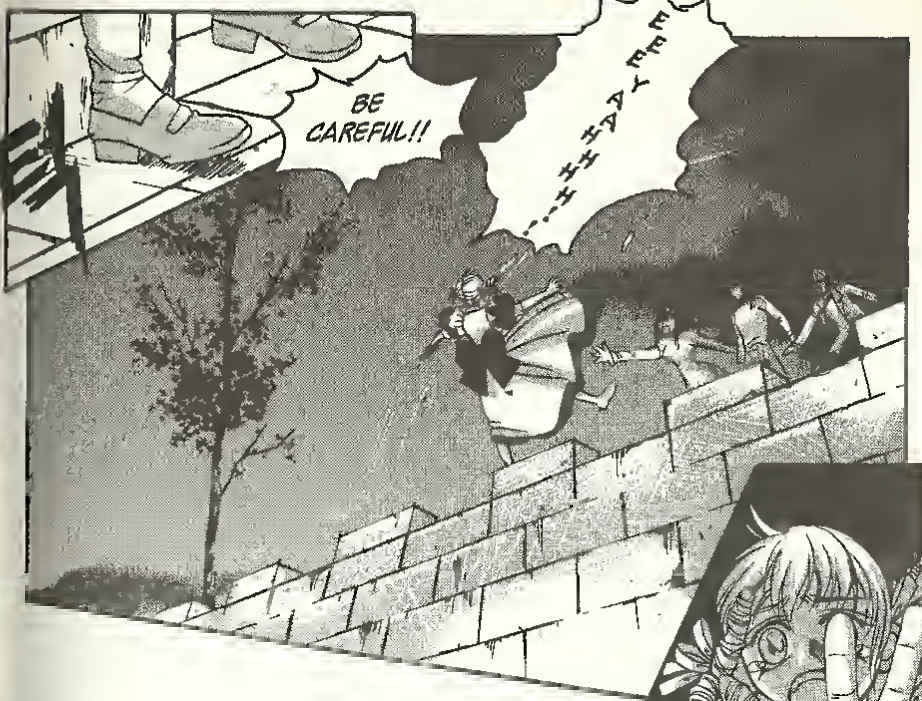
The pier?! IMPOSSIBLE!!
Sigh! It's so beautiful here. Finally we're alone--just the two of us.
If Nell ever finds out, she'll eat me alive!
Let me assure you, Madame, an intelligent and mature woman such as yourself...
...is far more appealing than a child like Nell.


Oh, my! Luka...
Mmm
MOMMMMMM!!
Hi Nell, I'm Hawk
What are you doing here, young lady?
HOW CAN YOU ASK ME THAT?!! HOW CAN YOU HAVE A SCANDALOUS LIAISON WITH YOUR FUTURE SON-IN LAW?!
Whether he's my son-in-law...or my husband, as long as we all live together, it shouldn't matter, right?
MOTHERRRRR! ARE YOU INSANE?!

She's driving me batty!
It's about time you grew up! Don't you feel any pathos for my brother?
That's right! It's about time you thought about poor Luel!
Um...Nell... I-I think we should head back.
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS INTERFERING IN MY AFFAIRS, MR. LUEL?!
Ah... Um... I...
IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!! YOU'RE ALWAYS STICKING YOUR NOSE WHERE IT DOESN'T BELONG, AND EVERYTHING GETS ALL MESSED UP!!

EVER SINCE I'VE KNOWN YOU, YOU'VE ALWAYS FOLLOWED ME AROUND AND STOPPED ME FROM SPENDING PRECIOUS QUALITY TIME WITH MY LUKA!
PERVERT! STALKER!
PAPARAZZI!!
ANGER GAUGE 80%
Hey, pipsqueak!
JUST BECAUSE YOU CONSTANTLY DOTE ON ME, DON'T YOU DARE THINK THAT I WILL EVER LIKE YOU!! I'M SICK TO DEATH OF IT!
I REALLY DETEST MEN LIKE YOU!!

LUKA!
Hmmph.
I knew she'd get it sooner or later...


BE CAREFUL!!
EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE...

Apologize to my brother.
LU-LUKA, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
Luka...
...hit me!!
NOW!

tremble
GRRR!
I HATE YOU ALL!!

NELL!!